

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1261

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A RESOLUTION to honor Dr. Dee Cantrell upon the occasion of her induction into the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those remarkable professionals who have rendered valuable service to the Tennessee Walking Horse industry, one of the Volunteer State's largest and most successful enterprises in terms of agriculture, commerce, equine sports, and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration is the premier event for the Tennessee Walking Horse; spanning eleven days and nights prior to Labor Day and encompassing exciting competition, the Celebration annually awards more than \$650,000 in prize money and crowns the breed's World Grand Champion and some twenty World Champions; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2004, the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration (TWHNC) will be inducting thirteen worthy people into the TWHNC Hall of Fame during a gala evening at Calsonic Arena on the Celebration grounds in Shelbyville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the TWHNC Hall of Fame ceremony is held biennially to specifically honor and recognize those sterling professionals who "have made significant and outstanding contributions to the Walking Horse industry and the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration" during "fifteen or more years involvement with the breed"; and

WHEREAS, the exemplary 2004 class of TWHNC Hall of Fame inductees most appropriately includes Dr. Dee Cantrell; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cantrell is widely known for her prominent work with the Walking Horse Trainers' Auxiliary, National Trainers' Show, the Georgia and Alabama Walking Horse Associations, and the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders' and Exhibitors' Association; and

WHEREAS, the loving wife of TWHNC Hall of Fame trainer Bill Cantrell of Phenix City, Alabama, Dr. Dee Cantrell is an eminently successful public health official for the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, by means of her induction into the TWHNC Hall of Fame, Dr. Cantrell has earned the ultimate accolade given by the Walking Horse industry, and she should be specially recognized on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Dr. Dee Cantrell upon her induction into the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration Hall of Fame, commend her for her meritorious service to the Walking Horse industry and the State of Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.